March 27th 1754 Then Came before me the subscriber one of his Lordships Justices of the Provincial Court the within named Richard Richardson and acknowledged the Land and Premisses within mentioned to be the Right and Estate of the within named Samuel Maxwell his Heirs and Assigns for ever And at the same time came Margaret Wife of the aforesd Richard Richardson and being privately examined out of the hearing of her said Husband freely acknowledge that she gave up all her Right of Dower to the Land and Premisses within mentioned unto the said Samuel Maxwell his Heirs and Assigns for ever without any threats or fear of her said Husbands displeasure

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Recd March 27th 1754 Thirty Pounds Sterling the Consideration Money within expressed

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Richd Richardson

Recorded 6th April 1754

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This Indenture made this thirteenth Day of April in the Year of our Lord Christ One Thousand seven hundred and fifty five and in the twenty fifth Year of the Reign of our Soveraign Lord King George the Second over England &c Between Nicholas Ridgely of Dover Town in Kent County on Delaware Gentn And Greenberry Ridgely of Ann Arundel County in the Province of Maryland Gent Eldest Son and Heir at Law of Mr Henry Ridgely late of Ann Arundel County and Province of Maryland aforesd Deceased of the one Part and Richard Snowden of the same Ann Arundel County and Province of Maryland aforesd Gent of the other Part Witnesseth That for and in consideration of the Sum of Sixty six Pounds fifteen Shillings and three Pence Sterling Money of Great Britain part whereof (to wit) the Sum of Sixty six Pounds Sterling Money aforesd paid by the said Richard Snowden to the aforesd Henry Ridgely and Nicholas Ridgely in equal parts in the life time of the said Henry Ridgely and the residue thereof being ten Pounds fifteen shillings and three Pence Sterling Money of Great Britain paid by the said Richard Snowden to the aforesd Nicholas Ridgely and Greenberry Ridgely before the Sealing and Delivery of these Presents the receipt whereof they the said Nicholas and Greenberry do acknowledge and themselves therewith to be contented and paid and therefrom do acquit and discharge the aforesd Richard Snowden his Exors or Admrs they the said Nicholas Ridgely and Greenberry Ridgely Have Granted Bargained Sold Aliened Enfeoffed and Confirmed And by these Presents Do Grant Bargain Sell Alien Enfeoffe Release and Confirm unto the aforesd Richard Snowden his Heirs and Assigns for ever All that Tract or Parcel of Land called the Grove lying and being in Ann Arundel County in the Fork of Patuxent River in the Province of Maryland aforesd formerly surveyed for and taken up by the aforesd Henry and Nicholas Ridgely and Confirmed to them by Patent bearing Date the fifth day of July Anno Domi seventeen hundred and forty one Containing Three Hundred and forty four Acres of Land be the same more or less by the several Courses thereof in the aforesd Patent mentioned and Recorded in the Land Office in the City of Annapolis and Province of Maryland aforesd in Book Lib. E. I. No. 6 folio 306 reference being thereunto had may more fully and at large appear together with all and singular Houses Buildings Orchards Meadows Marshes Woods Underwoods Ways Waters Water Courses Improvements Hereditaments and Appurtenances whatsoever unto the same belonging or in any wise appertaining and the Reversion and Reversions Remainder and Remainders Rents Issues and Profits thereof To have and to hold the aforesd Three Hundred and forty four Acres of Land and Premisses hereby Granted and every part and parcel thereof with the Appurtenances unto him the said Richard Snowden his Heirs and Assigns to the only proper use and behoof of the said Richard Snowden his Heirs and Assigns for ever and to no other use intent or purpose whatsoever under the Yearly Quit Rents now due and hereafter to become due to the Chief Lord or Lords of the fee thereof And the aforesd Nicholas Ridgely and Greenberry Ridgely for themselves severally and Respectively and for their several and Respective Heirs Exors and Admrs not the one for the other or for the Heirs Exors or Admrs of the other do hereby Covenant Promise and Agree to and with the aforesd Richard Snowden his

(Heirs)

Heirs and Assigns That they the said Nicholas and Greenberry and their Heirs Respectively the aforesd Land and Premisses with their Appurtenances unto the aforesd Richard Snowden his Heirs and Assigns from and against them the aforesd Nicholas Ridgely and Greenberry Ridgely and their Heirs and against all and every other Person or Persons whatsoever Lawfully claiming by from or under them or any of them shall and will Warrant and for ever Defend by these Presents And further that they the aforesd Nicholas Ridgely and Greenberry Ridgely and their Heirs shall and will from time to time hereafter on the Reasonable request and at the proper Costs and Charges of him the aforesd Richard Snowden his Heirs or Assigns make do or execute all and every such further and other Act and Deed Conveyance or Assurances in the Law for the better and more Effectual Conveying and assuring of the Land aforesd with the Appurtenances unto the aforesd Richard Snowden his Heirs and Assigns as by him or them or by his or their Counsel learned in the law shall be Reasonably Devised Advised and required And the aforesd Nicholas Ridgely one of the Parties to these Presents doth by these Presents for himself Nominate Constitute and Impower Benjamin Warfield and Brice Worthington of Ann Arundel County in the Province of Maryland aforesd Gent or either of them his true and Lawful Attorney or Attorneys for him and in his Name to acknowledge on his part and as his Act and Deed the foregoing Indenture or Deed according to the usage and Laws of the Province of Maryland aforesd unto the aforesd Richard Snowden his Heirs or Assigns In Witness whereof the Parties to these Presents have hereunto Interchangeably set their Hands and affixed their Seals the Day and Year first above written

Nicholas Ridgely (Seal)

Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of Us by Nicholas Ridgely

Benjamin Chew

Samuel Galloway

Wm Smyth

C Ridgely (Seal)

Sealed and Delivered by Greenberry Ridgely in Presence of

Jno Brice

Wm Johnson Junr

On the back of the foregoing Deed was thus Endorsed Viz. April 8th 1754 Came before me the Subscriber one of his Lds Justices of the Provincial Court Samuel Galloway being one of the people called Quakers and one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Deed and did solemnly affirm and declare that he saw the within named Nicholas Ridgely of Dover Town in Kent County on Delaware Gent Sign and seal and as his Act and Deed deliver the within Instrument of Writing for the uses and purposes therein mentioned and that Benjamin Chew and William Smith the other subscribing Witnesses subscribed their Names as Witnesses thereto in his presence

Affirmed to before Jno Brice

On the 8th day of April 1754 came the within named Brice Thomas Beale Worthington before me the Subscriber one of his Lds Provincial Justices and by virtue of the within Power of Attorney for and on the behalf of the within named Nicholas Ridgely acknowledged the within Deed according to the directions of the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided. Also at the same time came Greenberry Ridgely Party to the within Deed and acknowledged the same Deed according to the directions of the Act of Assembly aforesd

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Recorded April 8th 1754

Maryland ss Know all Men by these Presents I Geo. Chocke of Ann Arundel County in the Province aforesd Planter for and in consideration of the Sum of Twenty Pounds of good and Lawfull Money to me in hand paid by John Chocke of the aforesd County where whereby I do hereby acknowledge the Receipt of the same and myself fully and entirely satisfyed Have Bargained sold and set over and delivered and by this Presents in plain and open market according to the Just and due form of Law in that case made and provided Do Bargain set over and deliver unto the said John Chocke an old Negro Woman called Providence and one Feather Bed with its furniture and a looking Glass To have and to hold the said Negro Feather Bed and looking Glass unto of said John Chocke his Heirs or Assigns for ever I the said Geo. Chocke

(for)